
SECTION: CERTIFICATION

SUBJECT: Eligibility Requirement

ITEM: *Infants/Children: Nutrition Assessment Requirements
Determining Clinical Nutrition Need*



Policy The competent professional authority (CPA) shall assess whether a clinical nutrition need exists at each certification. The CPA shall use the medical history and the category specific health questions in the Integrated Statewide Information System (ISIS). The CPA shall obtain the information from:

- A referral form,
- A medical or clinical record,
- Appropriate ISIS screens,
- Self-reported information from the parent/guardian, or
- A nutrition questionnaire.

If the CPA obtains information from any source other than the referral form or nutrition questionnaire, the CPA shall document the source in ISIS in “Individual Comments.”

Authority for policy 7 CFR 246.7 (e)

Determining need Clinical nutrition need is determined by evaluating infant’s/child’s medical history, social, or other factors. See WPM Sections 210-60.4 and 210-60.5 for definitions of specific clinical indicators of nutrition need.

Assessment and documentation Local agencies shall document identified indicators of clinical nutrition need(s) in ISIS beginning with the appropriate “Health Information” screen. At a minimum, local agencies shall ask participants/applicants all questions contained on the “Health Question” screens. Additional clinical indicators of nutrition need can be selected using the option key in the “Other Conditions” field(s) on the “Health Questions” screens.